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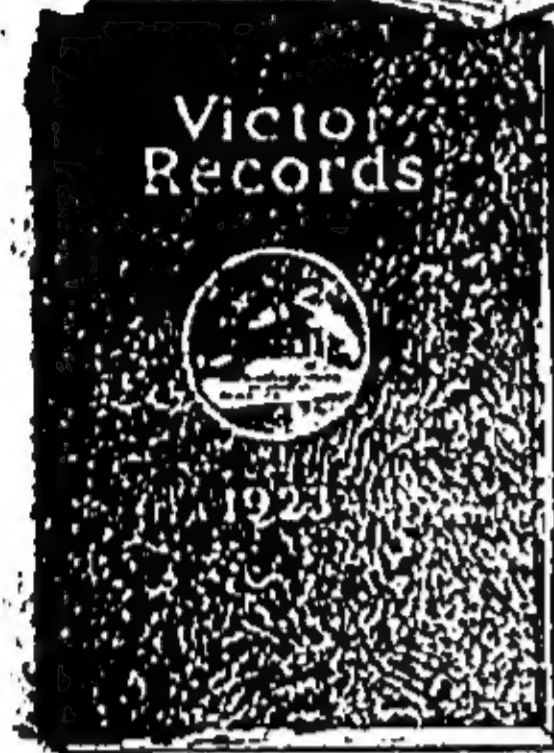
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RUHR OCCUPATION.

FRANCO-BELGIAN CONFERENCE.

PARIS, April 13.

The Belgian Premier, M. Theunis, and the Foreign Minister, M. Jaspar, have arrived to confer with M. Poincare. According to the newspapers the subjects for discussion include exploitation of the Ruhr mines and the misunderstanding caused by M. Loucheur's visit to England. The statement by *Le Matin* that the conference will discuss a reparations plan whereby Germany will pay two thousand millions sterling in a decade which will go to France and Belgium, while reparations bonds of "C" category will be employed to pay war debts to America and Britain is officially denied. It is anticipated that the conference will result in the Franco-Belgian Governments jointly reaffirming their intention of continuing their action on the Ruhr until Germany presents a precise offer of payment and of evacuating occupied territory only when Germany has fulfilled her engagements.

WHAT GERMANS WANT.

BERLIN, April 13.

A conference of leading employers and workmen in all industries and of all shades of political opinion from the occupied territory unanimously decided to continue the policy of passive resistance. They declare that the starting point of any negotiations must be a guarantee of complete evacuation, an indemnity for damages, the release of prisoners and the return of persons who have been expelled.

MINERS "GOING SLOW."

BERLIN, April 13.

The *Vossische Zeitung's* Essen correspondent says that with the object of preventing the French from obtaining any coal apart from that already on the surface the miners in the Ruhr region have begun further to restrict production they intend henceforth to bring up only enough coal for the mines' own use and for essential industrial purposes. No fresh supplies will be brought up for storing.

STINNES IN COLOGNE.

COLOGNE, April 13.

Herr Hugo Stinnes has arrived.

TWISTING THE SCREW.

PARIS, April 13.

A communique states that to-day's conference, after affirming the Belgian and French resolve to pursue common action in the Ruhr until Germany makes direct proposals for the payment of reparations, states that a whole series of fresh measures was considered for increasing the pressure. Decisions were also reached for a more efficient operation. Measures are now being enforced as regards coal for the railways. A further meeting will be held to-morrow.

PLAGUE IN INDIA.

SERIOUS RISE IN MORTALITY.

SIMLA, April 13.

The Public Health Commissioner states that a rise in mortality from plague began in December. There were 36,900 deaths in March compared with a mean average of 14,400 in the previous four years. The rise is serious as it shows the plague is ready to assume epidemic proportions when conditions are favourable and public health measures are to any extent neglected. These favourable conditions, namely a good harvest and the requisite atmospheric humidity, are now present. The destruction of rats and attention to grain storage are imperative. India should make an organised effort to stamp out the plague.

MIDINETTES ON STRIKE.

TROUBLE IN RUE DE LA PAIX.

PARIS, April 13.

As the result of a strike of midinettes a dozen policemen are guarding the entrances of important dressmaking firms in the Rue De la Paix. The midinettes are demanding a forty per cent. increase of wages making a scale ranging from 150 francs a week for first-class hands to 32/44 francs for apprentices, a 48-hour week and half-holiday on Saturdays.

TURKISH CONCESSION TALK.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 13.

It is reported that the Government considers the French protest against the Chester concession unjustified. The Commissioner of Public Works points out that the concession to the French in 1914 was never approved by the Turkish chamber and consequently is not legally binding.

NEW DUTCH MINISTER TO TOKYO.

THE HAGUE, April 13.

General Faber, of the East Indian army will shortly be appointed Minister to Tokyo.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/3 13/16
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LABOUR AND THE ARMY.

DEATH PENALTY ABOLITION URGED.

LONDON, April 13.

The House of Commons adjourned till Monday after an all night sitting of twenty-one hours. During the committee stage of the Army and Air Force Annual Bill which finally passed its third reading without a division the Labourites pursued obstructive tactics necessitating frequent use of the closure but the debate generally was good-tempered and there were few incidents. The Labourites urged that army recruits should be entitled to contract out of any service wherein military are used in trade disputes and also demanded the abolition of the death penalty but Lieut.-Col. Guinness, while sympathetic, maintained that the use of military in emergencies arising out of industrial disputes and the death penalty were both necessary. He emphasised that the penalty was only carried out after careful enquiry and mentioned that 264 men were shot for desertion in the war.

FII LEGISLATORS OFFENDED.

IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT CRITICISED.

SUVA (Fiji), April 13.

A legislative deadlock has arisen owing to the Imperial Government's promise to refund £58,000 export duties to the Colonial Sugar Refining Company without consulting the Fiji legislative authorities. The elected members of the Council have refused to sit until the Duke of Devonshire has undertaken that there will be no repetition of the Imperial Government's "unconstitutional action." The Company has since agreed to forgo the refund, has promised a bonus on cane sugar of 42 pence per ton and has agreed to increase wages by three pence a day, providing the export duties are removed.

NEW MESSAGERIES VESSEL.

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PARIS, April 13.

The Messageries Maritimes' new liner "Arabis" is shortly sailing on her maiden voyage to the Far East. She is 1145 feet long, displaces twenty thousand tons and carries 101 first-class 116 second class and 110 third-class passengers.

COTTON—GROWING IN THE EMPIRE.

LONDON, April 13.

As the result of an all-night sitting in the Commons the Cotton Industry Bill promoted by Lancashire private members, approved by the Government providing for compulsory contributions by United Kingdom cottonspinners to the funds of the Empire Cotton-growing Corporation, which should have passed its second reading to-day, was killed.

HOME BUILDING TRADE DISPUTE.

ELEVENTH HOUR SETTLEMENT.

LONDON, April 13.

An eleventh-hour agreement was reached in the building trade dispute. The employers are consequently suspending the notices reducing the wages. The question in dispute will be referred to arbitration.

MURDERER PRONOUNCED INSANE.

BOSTON, April 13.

Alienists who examined Sacco, who, along with Vanzetti was convicted of the murder of a paymaster and guard in South-Brintree in 1920 have reported to the court that the prisoner is of unsound mind and should be committed to a hospital for mental diseases.

NORWAY'S INDUSTRIAL STAGNATION.

WORKERS EMIGRATE TO AMERICA.

BERGEN, April 13.

Considerable concern has been caused by the emigration of Norwegian workers largely of the best types to America in consequence of the industrial stagnation.

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NEW WAY WITH COMMUNISTS.

SOFIA, April 13.

The Premier, M. Stamboliski, in a speech said the Government was preparing a bill to deal with the Communist movement providing that in any village where there are more than ten communists their land property shall be confiscated and formed into communes where all the village communists will be compelled to live and all will be compelled to do an equal share of work.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 1923.

Taking time by the forelock, before the rain came, someone—presumably in authority—had a Yaumati nullah dammed. The water thus collected seemed stagnant enough for breeding mosquitoes. Did the person who had the nullah dammed become liable for prosecution? Could he, when charged, have blamed the F.W.D. for failing to ensure an adequate water supply long ago? Then, could the F.W.D., in turn, have blamed the higher powers for their indifference? "Scuse me moment, Telephone. What! Used for watering roads and therefore could not breed mosquitoes? Thank heaven! Had but one mosquito been seen and—One recoils aghast.

Talking about mosquitoes, Hongkong, even CHOP. In its worst spots, has really little enough cause for complaint compared with—you'll never guess—compared with the Arctic! According to a missionary writer who has spent twelve years in the ice-bound Baffin Land, mosquitoes have been known to attack a bear and sting it to death! Away with our motor hooter fiends, our social-climbers, our daily grouse, our insufferable snobs, our theatre latecomers, our scandal-mongers, our—our, yes our unco guide—away with the whole scurvy tribe, away with them to the Arctic!

"In the far corner," said the guide, "lies THIS William the Conqueror. Behind the organ, where you can't see 'em are the toms of Guy Fawkes, Robin Hood and Cardinal Wolsey. Now, does that guide-book which I see you've in your hand tell you who is lying 'ere, sir?"

"Sceptical Visitor," No, but I can guess."

This pore, pore old SHUDDERS world. Just hear this from "Mumbo Jumbo," a new book by Mr. Henry Claws, Jr. He is talking about modern art. Take a deep breath—

"Weakened, corrupted, diseased, degenerated and driven mad by democracy, science and power-machinery, which have turned the studio into publicity bureau, photographic parlour, newsagency and laboratory of charlatanism, and filled it with avaricious, psychological empirics; brokers of genius; scientific mountebanks; perverse, self-exploiting, art-leeching critics; press-phobians; news-delirious; mechanomonomaniacs; victimised neurotheists; art promoters; spellbinders; culture-vultures; flabbergasted "arty" blather-skites; wiggly-wagglings, hocus-focusing, third-sex suffrag-ists" and "ettes"; humdrum old spinsters craving "arty" sex-thrills, and fed on pish-posh and flap-doodle by bamboozling, artfooling jucksters; nocturnal echidnas, gilets, Maenads, flappers and monkeys; doodling fluddubs, drunk with balderdash of "ists" and "isms," highbrows, whipper-snappers, popinays, lackadaisical louts, and newfangled ninias, calling themselves *maestri*; temperamental, harum-scarum squirts, and nin-compoops posing as supermen; aesthetic jack-nastics, jacksons, thingum-a-gigs, and scallawags; artistic jib-jubs, boos, snarks, jabberworks, boobums, and punch-inellos, followed by their Press agents; puddle-ducks, rag-tags, bobtails, and geese with brains and livers congested from tomy-rotten mass education crammed down their throats by higgledy-piggledy idealists, egocentric uplifters, culture-cads, fanatical mob-muddlers, and silly, shilly-shally, lollipops, mollycoddle sentimentalists; and last, but not least, gilded la-di-da, highfalutin' lady and gentlemen cuckoos, who lavishly pay to have their sterile eggs hatched into museum-dodos by sycophant, jackal artists."

And Hongkong has an Art Club! Let's hope it doesn't possess any nocturnal echidnas, gilets, jib-jubs and boobums (whatever these worst things are), otherwise the worst reproach, the direct insult you will be able to offer anyone locally will become "Oh! you—you—YOU ARTIST!"

Every O. Henry lover knows that charming story, "The Voice of the City," which tells how the modern philosopher who sought to comprehend the meaning of the composite message of massed

humanity," pursued his quest in New York, how he tried to find the key of the big city's manifold sounds—the tremendous crash of the chord of the day's traffic, the laughter and music of the night—the ragtime, the weeping, the stealthy hum of cab-wheels, the shout of the press agent, the tinkle of fountains on the roof-gardens, the hallelaloo of the strawberry vendor—the whippers of the lovers in the parks. "Every O. Henry lover remembers, too, how, swift as light from a fixed star," the answer came. Another philosopher has now been seeking the secret in the same great city, and this is the voice she has had heard:

Come to me, Children of Men!
You will be stunned with wonder!
I am The City Gigantic!
I am The City of Thunder.

Come to me, Youth of the Ages!
Come to me, clear-eyed and free!
I shall awake you and break you,
And make you suffer, with me!

Out of the depths of my coffers,
Studded with diamonds and gold,
I will heap unto you offers—
Jewels of knowledge untold.

And you will know all my madness
Stinging your blood into flame,
And you will know all my sadness,
And you will know all my shame.

Come to me, States and Kingdoms!
Come to me, Empires yet wet
With the hot blood of soldiers!
Come to me! I can beget

Out of your corpses, a Poem—
Out of your lusts, a Play—
Out of your crumbled Vestments
Wild laughter for a day.

Court me or spurn me—I care not.
Stab me—careless I live!
I am the Best and Worst of you—
What you have given, I give.

Should the poetess who wrote those lines, Mary Dixon Thayer, ever visit Hongkong, what voice would she hear? Would she blend the cadence of the sampan's creak and the ocean liner's bay; the rich, coolie's cry and the motorcar's imperious hoot, the strains of the blind minstrel band and the clash of the jazz orchestra; the murmur of the moonlight zephyr and the howl of the typhoon? Would she hear these, and the thousand other sounds which swell the Voice of our city? And would she of that great cry an essence make; and of the essence an extract—an audible extract which should live the poem expressing Hongkong's soul? Who shall say!

Hongkong can congratulate itself that the *mui tsai* agitation is over. Remembering what they have already said, just think what they would have put over with fifty-two nations for audience. When that September League debate was fairly under weigh we would have been vastly lucky if we had not been classed with roughest Abyssinia, wildest Arabia, and darkest Congo. Truly, our escape has been narrow—only from the ignominy of being paraded before the whole world as a slave mart but also from the flood of eloquence that would have been loosed locally. And which were worse indeed I know not.

Talking about slavery, you would hardly look for this "excellent sum of all villainies" in England, would you? Yet slavery has been seriously suggested as a possible solution of the Homeland's economic ills. Slavery, it has been urged, would be far more humane than the chaos reigning to-day. Addressing the Delphian Coteries, which exists to inculcate and foster the sense of personal judgment in public affairs, Mr. G. K. Chesterton not long ago said slavery was not only possible for modern society, but there was strong argument for saying it would be a great improvement. A slave was simply a person who did the work of another man to produce profit for him, and in return was completely supported by him. A slave never slept on the Embankment, never wandered where his breakfast was coming from, and was never in the position of despair as were many hundreds of thousands of poor men in a modern industrial city. Although we might not have the name "slavery," it was possible that we might have the same thing much sooner than we expected. Mr. Chesterton, I think, should read his history again.

Not long since I quoted a fifteenth century bill of expenses incurred by the citizens of Hull in connection with the production of a miracle play. Among the items, you may remember, were 8d. for painting a new Hell, 4d. for hanging Judas and 6d. for painting ye world. Even better, I now find, is the story about an old church in Belgium which decided to repair its properties and employed an artist to touch up a large painting. Upon presenting his bill the committee in charge refused payment until the details were specified; whereupon he presented the items as follows:—To connecting the Red Com-

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Rebordering the robes of Herod and adjusting his wig ... 4.0
Taking the spots off the son of Tobias ... 1.30
Cleaning Balaam's Ass and putting one shoe on him ... 1.70
Putting earrings in Sarah's ears ... 1.71
Putting a new stone in David's sling, enlarging the head of Goliath and extending Saul's legs ... 6.13
Decorating Noah's Ark and putting a head on Shem ... 4.31
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Thus when Home folk suddenly find themselves confronted with some new change, the Colony usually views the event without emotion, distance lending detachment. Rarely does Hongkong see Home changes heralding similar innovations here. Then one day, long after the Colony has ceased to the latest swim. That novelty which it had tacitly accepted for the Homeland and as tacitly done without itself, has arrived. Our streets sport real taxis; our light-houses real fog signals and our brokers real bowlers. Some day, following this same happy tradition, Hongkong will find itself blessed/cursed with sky-writing stunts, night clubs, and Pharaoh fashions, and rubber roads, and prohibition agents, and early doors. Meanwhile, any day now ought to see our Legislative Council with women unofficial members—indeed, with women official members, too, since it is now only a question of time until they invade the cadet service, though by your smiling you may seem to say 'tis not. Almost every other large community now has its women pioneers and Hongkong's turn, however belated, will surely come. When it does—well, the Peak Tramway—people had better find that ladies' cloak-room chop, chop; the Golf Club will be badly misled unless they promptly amend their rules; the Stock Exchange will be less than wise unless they accept the inevitable without demur; the Hongkong Club—once sacred resort!—will grievously misjudge the times unless it speedily capitulates; and—just you wait! Hongkong won't know itself. Naturally, you laugh. Well, laugh away. You know the proverb?

These lines from the Canadian Forum "EMPEROR" will please you. They are written by HONGKONG. John Gray and called "The Steamship Office":

"I stand in the sunlit street
And peer through the window pane,
For the big white deck four-funnelled boats
Have lured me to loiter again.

"There's the Cunarder, black and red,
With the pigmy tender beside;
And the spiral reek of the White Star tans
Steaming slowly out with the tide.

"Or an Empress at Hongkong;
Blue Funnel at Singapore;
A Donaldson black, or the dingy stack.
Of a tramp off a tropical shore.

"It's a thousand miles to a port
Yet I sense the tang of the salt,
And I feel the lift of the deck—
While my feet on the pavement halt.

"So, it's ho, for the unmarked road
And the swell of the open sea,
For the bayside rattling on the mast
And the black smoke drifting free."

LOCAL AND GENERAL

St. Stephen's College summer term begins on Thursday, April 24.

The Inter-school sports will be held at Happy Valley on Tuesday, April 17.

The names of Mr. William Owen Pearce and Mr. Richard Scott Carrick are added to the list of Authorized Architects.

Come now, who will take the lead? Fame awaits him.

Arnold Bennett in his latest book, "Things FOR That Have Interested HEALTH. Me (Second Series)," proclaims for dancing.

"The curious and convenient thing is that dancing provides joy and ecstasy and the uplifting of the soul, and at the same time does positive moral, artistic, and physical good to the dancer. You can get ecstasy out of a bottle of champagne or even a glass of beer (not to speak of six glasses), but the uplifting, is no finer than what the dance affords; it is, in fact, less fine, and it has grave drawbacks, some of which may not be noticed for years, and some of which are very apt to be noticed the next morning." Mr. Bennett's words have seemingly been quickly taken to heart, for the last Home mail brings details of some amazing dancing records. Thus—recently two Glasgow dancers created a non-stop record for continuous dancing of 8½ hours, although it has been stated that in 1906 an Italian had waltzed for over 14 hours. Edinburgh, however, saw this record surpassed, a couple dancing for 12 hours and 7 minutes. The Saxos Band, played continuously throughout, and it was understood that this, too, constituted a record. Another couple, however, eclipsed this performance, dancing until they were stopped after going without break for 14 hours 36 minutes. Even then they were not exhausted. The pianist, played for 9 hours 15 minutes. The couples were served while they danced with food and cold sponges, the purveyor of these necessities having perforce to execute a *pas seul* during the period. Scarcely had the wonder died down than word arrived from Ayr that two local instructors had occupied the floor for fully 15 hours, from 8 a.m. till 11 p.m. But the climax was reported a little later from Portobello, where, commencing at 12.30 p.m. and finishing at 5.48 a.m. four dancers footed it round and round into apparent eternity, and had at last to be asked to stop—apparently for their own good. This should put our Hongkong dancers on their mettle. What records?

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Sergeant H. B. J. Dowbiggin has been appointed a Second Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps as from April 23.

H.E. the Governor has declared Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., to be duly elected a member of the Sanitary Board for three years with effect from April 13.

Mrs. F. S. and Miss C. S. Vandorbel and Mrs. K. and Miss R. Gubbay were among the passengers who arrived here by the B.I. s.s. "Porilla" yesterday.

It is notified in the Gazette that from April 14-16 the mark boats are withdrawn work will be carried out on the submarine cables crossing the harbour from North Point to Kowloon Docks. The area affected will be from the cable house on foreshore at North Point to a position 600 yards seaward within the cable area. This area will be marked by sampans at anchor each showing a red flag by day and a red light by night. All vessels and native craft are directed by the Harbour Master to pass to the Northward of these mark boats giving same a wide berth.

Information has been received by the Colonial Secretary's Department that for the present passports and indentments for occupied German territory will only be granted in cases of important business or exceptional urgency.

HONGKONG TRADE.

COTTON PRICES ERRATIC.

The fortnightly trade report issued by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce states:—Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—During the interval some good sales of Broadens are reported. Small transactions have also been effected in White Shirtings. Reports from Manchester indicate a firm market. Clearances are maintained but there is room for improvement in this connection.

Cotton Yarn.—After a period of depression which lasted nearly nine weeks, some 8,500 bales changed hands as a consequence of enquiries from Yunnan and other consuming districts. Prices ruled erratic and notwithstanding the drop in the Rupee exchange, importers were eager sellers.

Quotations are:—No. 10s, \$166/192. No. 12s, \$170/192. No. 16s, \$190/205. No. 20s, \$178/204. Arrivals 600 bales. Shipments nil. Sales 3,500 bales. Unsold stock 10,000 bales. Bargains 10,000 bales. Woollens.—Small orders for Suitings, etc., are being booked but the market on the whole is very quiet.

Raw Cottons.—Quotations are nominally as follows:—Indian descriptions at \$36/40. Chinese staple at \$38/45.

Metals.—No business doing. Flour Market Report.—Stock: About 600,000 sacks. Market steady. Quotations:—American Patent, \$3.80 per sack; American Straight, \$3.05 per sack; American Cut-off, \$3.05 per sack; Shanghai Flour, \$3.00 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$3.10 per sack.

Sundries.—Window Glass: A few spot lots sold. Local stocks running very low.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

During the twenty-four hours ended yesterday, the following occurrences of notifiable diseases were reported:—Four Chinese cases (one imported) of small-pox, one British case of diphtheria, one Chinese case of enteric fever and one British case of paratyphoid fever.

During the storm on Thursday night, the master of a cargo-boat lying off Tin Lok Lane, Wanchai, called all his hands on deck to east out another anchor. One of the men fell overboard. A small dingy was at once put off to save him but he was not to be found.

Lee Jim Kee, the well-known Chinese watch and clock shop opposite the old Fire Station, was entered, according to a report to the police, last night by the two front iron gates being opened. Forty-three gold and other watches valued at \$600 were stolen.

The statement in regard to the Peak train published in last night's *China Mail* was inadvertently credited to the Superintendent (Mr. L. J. Scott). In point of fact the information was furnished by Mr. H. Humphreys, of Messrs. John D. Humphreys & Son, who are the general managers of the Peak Tramway Company.

It is notified in the Gazette that it is the intention of H.E. the Governor to make an order on the expiration of six months from April 13 directing the removal of all graves in Shamshui cemetery. Such order will be made for the purpose of the execution of a public work, namely, the laying out of roads and building sites.

Coming to Hongkong by the "Haruna Maru," which left London on March 17, are Mr. and Mrs. Aitken, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Buch, Mr. D. Campbell, Mr. J. Hay, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kimura, Mr. J. McCann, Miss N. McFadyen, Mr. F. Pierce Grove, Miss B. Ruben, Mr. J. J. B. Sammel, Mr. E. Seorb, and Mr. C. A. Wegelin.

Passengers arriving in Hongkong by the Blue Funnel s.s. "Mentor" yesterday included:—Lt. Comdr. R. W. Blacklock, D.R.C., R.N., Mr. and Mrs. A. Fothergill, Mr. L. E. Fothergill, Miss F. P. Fothergill, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Greenhill, Mr. S. E. Grimstone, Mr. H. G. Howard, Mr. P. Markham, Mr. W. J. Martin, Mrs. McNicoll, Miss J. M. McNicoll, Paymaster-Comdr. G. E. Osborne, R.N., Mr. A. R. Pollock.

It is notified in the Gazette that from April 14-16 the mark boats are withdrawn work will be carried out on the submarine cables crossing the harbour from North Point to Kowloon Docks. The area affected will be from the cable house on foreshore at North Point to a position 600 yards seaward within the cable area. This area will be marked by sampans at anchor each showing a red flag by day and a red light by night. All vessels and native craft are directed by the Harbour Master to pass to the Northward of these mark boats giving same a wide berth.

WIRELESS ON SHIPS.

GOVERNMENT'S SCHEME.

EX RIVER BOATS EXCLUDED.

For many months past there have from time to time appeared articles in the press urging the installation of wireless on all steamers plying along the China Coast, and an announcement recently made has led some to believe that the Hongkong Government would shortly put such an ordinance into force. A *China Mail* reporter was told yesterday that the papers dealing with the subject "appear to have been pigeon-holed."

Questioned as to the main points in the proposed Ordinance, a firm supporter of the scheme stated that the new law will provide for wireless being carried on all vessels clearing from Hongkong, with passengers on board, with the exception of river boats.

"It would be useless," the reporter was told, to insist on river boats carrying wireless in the expectation that it would be effective in preventing piracy. Unless a regular system of patrols were arranged in which the Macao and Canton Governments co-operated with the British naval authorities, it would be a mere fluke if naval assistance ever arrived in time to deal with the pirates. On ocean-going passenger vessels, however, wireless is certain to be insisted upon. In most cases of foreign-owned ships the owners are fast falling into line. The owners that are hanging back are the Chinese on the Saigon run. They are mostly the possessors of obsolete ships, purchased in the majority of cases from British shipping firms. The Chinese, somewhat naturally, object to spending a cent more than they are compelled to; they carry a staff of officers that only just comes within the legal obligation and they will try every means to persuade the authorities to grant them exemption from installing wireless. They will, however, have to comply or drop out of the passenger trade. As regards the poor that wireless would be in the time of a typhoon, it is only necessary to point to the four vessels stranded in the Swatow disaster. Had these vessels only carried wireless, all would have been able to seek safe shelter in time.

The wireless stations at Gap Rock and Cape D'Agulhar, it seems, can send messages a distance of 250 miles. If it was incumbent upon all passenger vessels clearing from Hongkong to carry wireless, it would be easy for them to receive typhoon warnings in time.

"The cost of the installation is comparatively cheap nowadays," our informant concluded, "especially when one bears in mind the latest automatic devices. It is unlikely that the new Ordinance will insist on coasting vessels carrying more than one operator, so shipowners really have very little to cavil at."

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Sir Robert Ho Tung, K.C., was invited to fill the vacancy on the Directorate occasioned by the death of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak. Mr. C. M. Dowdall resigned from the Board on leaving the Colony and Mr. T. G. Wall was appointed to the vacant seat. These appointments require the confirmation of shareholders. In accordance with the Articles of Association Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. D. G. M. Bernard retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The engagement is announced, and the marriage will take place quietly in London at the end of June, of Arthur Selborne Jeff, Malayan Civil Service, son of the late Dr. Jeff, Master of the Charterhouse, and Mrs. Jeff, Snodgrass House, Sundridge, Sevenoaks, to Evelyn Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Hardcastle, of Stockton-on-Tees.

THE JAMBOREE.

BOY SCOUTS AT WORK.
AN INTERESTING EXHIBITION.

There was a capital attendance in the City Hall, yesterday afternoon, when the Hongkong Boy Scouts opened their two days' Jamboree. It was shortly after 4 p.m., when the Chief Scout, H. E. Sir R. E. Stubbs, who was attended by Captain Neville, A.D.C. and Mr. Eric Rice, arrived and was escorted up the entrance steps by the Scout Commissioner, the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

After Sir Reginald had inspected the Guard of Honour and conversed with some of the members, the signal was given for the processions to start. With a patrol leader bearing the Prince of Wales' banner in the van and other patrol leaders, with their flags and a strong escort in the rear, His Excellency, passing through a double line of scouts with staves at the salute, mounted the stairs to St. George's Hall. The orchestra played the National Anthem while the bearer of the banner presented by H. R. H. the Prince of Wales accompanied by Commissioner Waldegrave to the platform under Queen Victoria's picture, at the far end of the hall.

After a few words of welcome from Scout Commissioner Waldegrave, the Chief Scout (Sir R. E. Stubbs) addressed the gathering as follows:—

"Commissioner Waldegrave, Scout Masters and members of the Hongkong Boy Scouts' Association, it gives me great pleasure to be present here to-day and to have the opportunity to address you."

His Excellency dwelt upon the fact that keen scouts in time would move up to add to the numbers of the Volunteers, whose ranks needed all the new blood they could possibly obtain as changes took place from year to year. H. E. continued:

"During the past year every Troop has had one or more camps as follows:—1st Troop, 12 days at Castle Peak; 2nd Troop, various week end camps at Shatin etc.; 3rd Troop, a week in the woods above Quarry Bay and a trek camp at Tai Po etc.; 4th Troop, a week on Cheung Chau; 5th Troop, a week on Stonecutters' Island; a week by Saiwan Bay; Trek Camps on the mainland, Tai Po, and Shing Mun Pass Area; expeditions in China to Ting Wu Monastery and to Fan Shan; 6th Troop, a week at Tai Po Market; 7th Troop, a week at Castle Peak and a week end at Tai Po Market; 8th Troop, a week above Quarry Bay and a visit to Canton; Rover Patrols attached to 5th Troop a week end at Saiwan Bay; During the Imperial Headquarters year October 1921—September 1922, 27 Gilt Crosses were awarded to Scouts for plucky and meritorious conduct. There are about 350,000 scouts registered at Imperial Headquarters, of which about 250 belong to Hongkong. Three of the above mentioned Gilt Crosses were awarded to Hongkong Scouts.

Our first aim in training Scouts in Hongkong is to produce First Class Scouts. At the present moment we have none, but there are several boys on the verge of obtaining this Badge, which we insist shall be earned properly. As it includes efficient swimming, simple signalling, capacity to look after himself well on a journey by himself and to write a clear account of any journey, efficiency in dealing with various emergencies, such as fire, First Aid, drowning, electric shock etc., satisfactory cooking for camp including bread-making, map-reading and map-sketching, carpentry or metal work, distance size numbers, height and weight judging within 25% error, and training of recruits, a scout has all his work cut out to get the badge.

It is on the training necessary for this and the badges leading to it that troops are examined in competition for the Prince of Wales Banner.

The training is carried out in the headquarters of the various troops; though we have now acquired as a temporary training camp the Pinewood Battery on Hutton Road. This however is not entirely satisfactory, and our needs are:

(1) A suitable central Headquarters for offices, lectures, and special technical training.

(2) An easily accessible seaside area for a training camp with good water supply and near some forest supply. Pinewoods temporarily fill this need, but there is no bathing place on the spot, and the water supply is precarious. We want a permanent place.

(3) People willing to help as Scoutmasters and assistants, instructors and examiners etc. This means time and self-denial, but those who take it up once they have grasped the idea will find it worth while. Like all those engaged in educational work, they must be prepared for occasional setbacks and disappointments. All of us have started with no knowledge of Scouting and have acquired this as we went

along, so present ignorance is no excuse for beginners. Moreover Pinewoods is to be a Training camp for officers or "Scouters" as well as for Scouts.

(4) Regular annual subscribers, rather than donors of occasional gifts, though of course we welcome those as well. An annual subscription of \$5.00 entitles the subscriber to membership of the Association and a free copy monthly of the local Scout Magazine, the Silver Wolf, which contains several items of general interest, such as nature study articles etc.

In addition to the above-mentioned work and camps carried out by the troops individually, during the past year we have had the following united events:—Inspection by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Inspection by H.E. the Chief Scout of Hongkong and presentation of the Banner, with a singing afterwards, Swimming Sports in October, two all-day united treks on the mainland over various Passes, etc. etc.

There are at present 7 Troops in Hongkong, and one troop in Kowloon. We hope after the Jamboree to start a troop at St. Paul's College, and at present a few boys are being specially trained in the 3rd Hongkong Troop to act as the nucleus of a new troop at the Ellis Kewo School for Indians. There is also a Patrol of Sea Scouts.

There are two Rover Patrols (Senior Scouts) connected with the Fifth Troop, and there are 4 Wolf Cub Packs (Junior Scouts). We need Cub Masters and Cub Mistresses for these badly. If we could get the right person one could be easily started on the Peak.

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There are about 200 Rovers, Scouts, and Wolf Cubs actively engaged in Scouting in this Colony, though there are several more attending more or less spasmodically. We are held up mainly by lack of officers. There is only one troop in Kowloon, where there is room for at least two more.

At the conclusion of His Excellency's speech, Commissioner Waldegrave called for three cheers for the Chief Scout which were heartily given by the entire company of Scouts present (approximately 250 staves). The Commissioner then called upon the patrol of Sea Scouts to give a cheer on their own as a sign of their appreciation of His Excellency's generous promise to present them with a yacht of the Hayward-Hayes class for training purposes. The response was made with enthusiasm.

His Excellency and party were then conducted round the different stalls of exhibits, in which they evinced the greatest interest. Later in the afternoon, H. E. Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., arrived and also showed keen interest in the proceedings. The exhibit showing how a Tailor's badge is won occupied fully ten minutes of Sir John's stay in the exhibit room.

Other interested spectators during the afternoon were; the Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G., C.B.E.) the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies) and Lady Rees Davies, Mr. Justice Gompertz and Mrs. Gompertz, Bishop Pozzani and a number of the local clergy, Commodore and Mrs. and Miss Grace, Lieut. Conway Hake, Mr. D. Burlingham, the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, Mr. W. Logan, the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr, Col. Davy, R.E., Mr. and Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak and a host of others. The exhibits were displayed in St. Andrew's Hall, where ocular demonstrations were given of the different accomplishments of the badge owners. A room round the stalls bore eloquent testimony to the keenness among our Scouts to fit themselves to win badges in all departments. The test below (though the badge for interpreter is not included) well demonstrates the degree of efficiency a keen scout can attain.

THE EXHIBITS.
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Metal Worker Badge... Scouts of the 4th Troop.
Telegraphist Badge... Scouts of the 3rd Troop.
Leather Workers & Die-carving... Scouts from Tong Ka-wan, Heungshan.
Camp Scene... Scouts of the 1st Troop.
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As soon as the bridge was completed, Commissioner Waldegrave invited Col. Davy R. E. to inspect it. Col. Davy did so and walked across it, followed by Staff Sergeant Best, R.E., who had instructed the scouts in their work. After his inspection Col. Davy addressed the builders for whom he had nothing but praise. He laid especial stress on the excellent results achieved with the materials available. These consisted of some rough planks, bamboo poles and 1/4 inch twine. Col. Davy suggested that if the "cheese" in future, were cut a little smaller, the lads would do even better work.

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GODOWN THEFT.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—With reference to a paragraph appearing in your issue of the 11th instant to the effect that a report from the assistant comptroller of the Kowloon Godowns stated that cargo to the value of \$4,800, had been illicitly removed from the No. 8 godown, I beg to point out that

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W. S. Brown,
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Hongkong, April 13, 1923.

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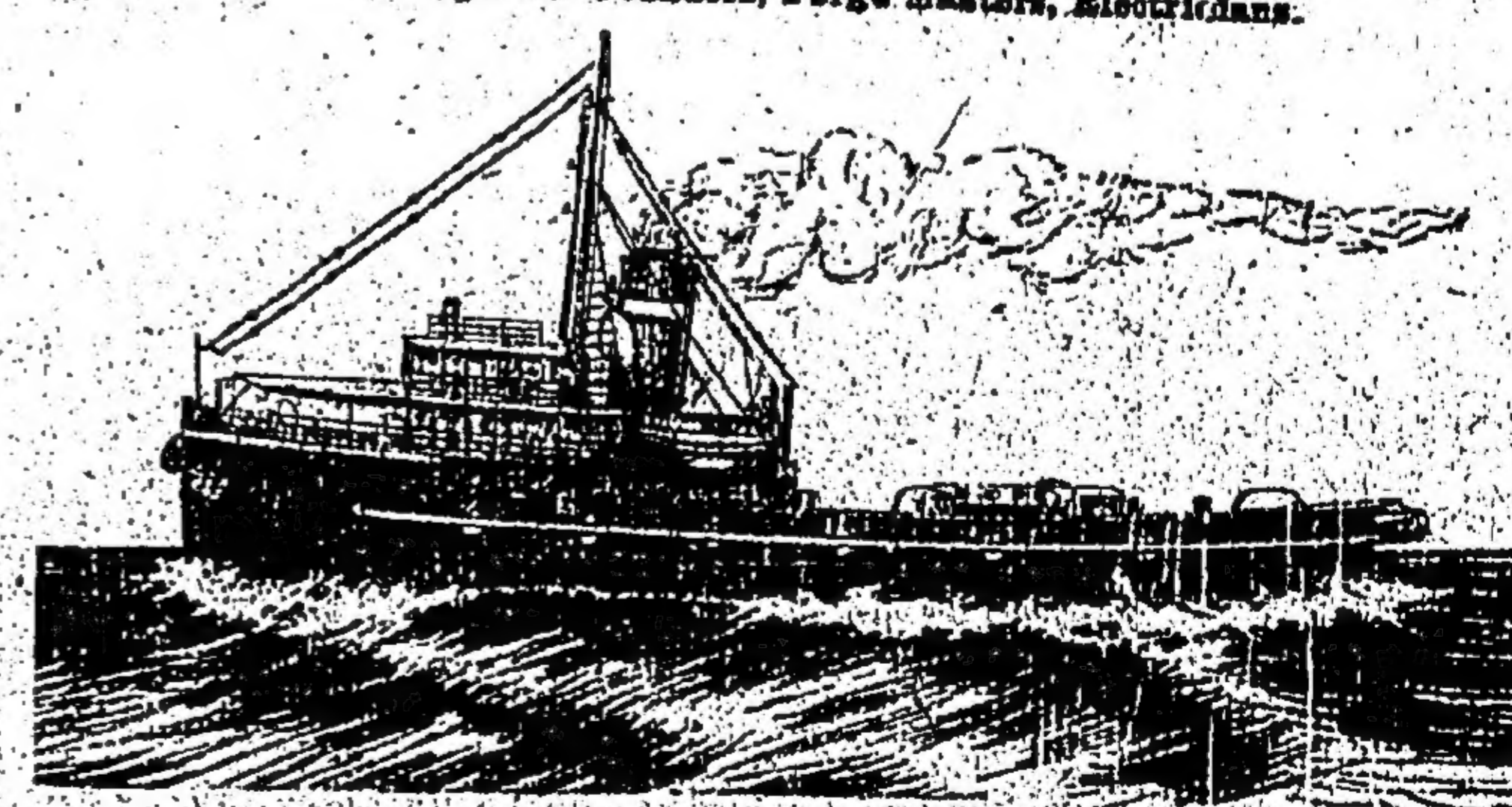
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In the Divorce Division before Mr. Justice Hill and a Special Jury in mail week, the Hon. John Hugo Russell, eldest son and heir of Lord Amthill, petitioned for the dissolution of his marriage with the Hon. Christabel Russell (formerly Hart) on the ground of her alleged adultery.

The first suit, heard in July last, occupied nine days. Two named co-respondents were then dismissed from the suit, and the jury disagreed as to the charge made against an unnamed co-respondent. The present proceedings involve charges against a new co-respondent, Mr. Edward Jacquard Mayer, and counsel are:

For Mr. Russell, Sir Edward Marshall-Hall, K.C., and the Hon. Victor Russell; for Mrs. Russell, Mr. Patrick Hastings, K.C., Mr. D. Cotes-Freedy and Mr. T. J. O'Connor; for Mr. Mayer, Sir Ellis Hume-Williams, K.C., and Mr. Bush James.

There were three women members of the jury, and Mr. Justice Hill, addressing them, said: "One of you I understand is unmarried. If you think this is a case on which you would rather not serve will you say so. No one will think the worse of you whatever view you take."

The Unmarried Juror: "I must leave it to your Lordship."

Sir Edward Marshall-Hall: "The lady is unmarried, and it would save her bearing very unpleasant details."

Sir Ellis Hume-Williams: "I am inclined to agree. I think the details will be found rather shocking"

to an unmarried lady. For a married lady it would be different."

Mr. Justice Hill: "It is for you (the jurors) to decide rather than for me."

The Juror: "I think I should be better employed elsewhere."

Mr. Justice Hill: "I am sure we all think so. (Laughter.)"

Another male juror was then sworn.

The Hon. Victor Russell, opening the pleadings, said Mr. Russell alleged that his wife had committed adultery with a man unknown, in consequence of which she gave birth on October 15, 1921, to a male child, of which the man unknown was said to be the father. Mr. Russell also alleged adultery between his wife and Mr. Mayer. Both Mrs. Russell and Mr. Mayer denied the allegations.

BROKEN ENGAGEMENT.
MR. RUSSELL'S ARRANGEMENT WITH THE OTHER MAN.

Sir Edward Marshall-Hall said Mr. Russell was the eldest son of Lord Amthill, and was born in 1895. He was a naval officer before the war broke out, and about the end of 1917 met the respondent, then Miss Hart, who was about the same age. Mr. Russell was a submarine officer at Harwich, and he and Miss Hart became engaged. The engagement, however, was broken off by Miss Hart in 1918.

There was no doubt that Mr. Russell was very much in love with Miss Hart. He was desperately disappointed, but accepted the situation and went to sea. She had said there was no other man in the case. About three weeks later Mr. Russell got leave and came to London, saw Miss Hart, and then she told him there was another man, a Mr. Bradley, who had been an old service mate of Mr. Russell's at Osborne, Dartmouth, and on H.M.S. "Defence" in 1914-16.



Mrs. John Russell.

It seemed that Miss Hart had been engaged to both men. It was agreed that one of them should be sent away for three months, and Mr. Russell was sent away. During that same leave Mr. Russell had received a letter from Mrs. Hart (the girl's mother) intimating that Miss Hart and Mr. Bradley had gone to Edinburgh to get married, but, finding they could not, had come back to London again.

MARRIAGE "CONVERSATION."
In February, 1918, Mr. Russell's ship was at Harwich, and after three months he wrote to Miss Hart. In return he was invited to Miss Hart's home, Bromhurst, in Sussex, where she asked if he still wished to marry her. On October 4, 1918, Mrs. Hart wrote to Mr. Russell, who was told that Miss Hart would marry him if he was still ready to marry her. Mr. Russell was so delighted that he telephoned his consent. He got four days' leave, and Miss Hart obtained the marriage licence. On October 17 there was a very important conversation. They were married on October 18 at St. Jude's Kensington.

During the conversation referred to, continued Sir Edward, Miss Hart stipulated that at any rate for the early part of the married life there should be no children. "To this Mr. Russell agreed."

"I am sorry," added Sir Edward, "that one of the most sacred things of human life which is usually kept secret now has to be brought into the daylight. It is of vital importance to know what happened on this wedding night."

On October 15, 1921, Mrs. Russell gave birth to a child.

Mr. Patrick Hastings interposed, saying he should, when certain evidence was given, object to it.

Sir Edward said his learned friend was going to take objection to any

evidence of non-access by the husband as being inadmissible.

Mr. Hastings: "In the facts of this case."

Continuing, Sir Edward said the real issue in the case rested on the credibility of the two chief parties to the suit, Mr. and Mrs. Russell. On October 15, 1921, Mrs. Russell gave birth to a male child. It would be thought, Sir Edward admitted, that the utmost possible limit of time within which that child could be conceived would be about the middle of the preceding December.

Mr. Russell said that before the marriage he promised his wife she should run no risk of having children for the first part of the wedded life, and he kept that promise. A question the jury would have to decide was whether something was done in that December between these two people which resulted in the birth of the baby in the following October.

THE WEDDING NIGHT.
Sir Edward described the wedding night. Mr. and Mrs. Russell first of all went to a play, he said. They then went to bed and both went to sleep. At three o'clock both woke up, and Mrs. Russell said: "Is this all that marriage means?" Mr. Russell reminded her of the promise he had given her. She kissed him and said she understood. No marital intercourse took place that night.

Mr. Russell later returned to his duties and Mrs. Russell went to Harwich on one or two week-ends to meet her husband there.

At Christmas 1919, said Sir Edward, Mr. Russell had ten days' leave, and during that time he and his wife became on very affectionate terms. "The wife submitted to embraces and kisses, and a certain physical result followed. At Christmas 1919 they spent a time together, and the same thing happened. But at no time was any effective step taken which would result in the birth of the child born to Mrs. Russell."

During the four weeks they spent together in 1919 Mrs. Russell insisted on going to dances with a soldier friend. She used to come some very late, and the husband demonstrated with her. Mrs. Russell was devoted to dancing. Not a night passed that she did not go out to some dance. Night after night she went out leaving her husband alone. In fact, she was almost dancing mad.

"MARRIED LOVE."
Unfortunately Mr. Russell was not a good dancer. In the summer of 1919 he was at Greenock and Mrs. Russell was in London, apparently having a good time. Mr. Russell was anxious that the woman with whom he was very much in love should be his wife in the fullest sense of the word, and he had read a book which was exciting a good deal of comment at this moment, a book called "Married Love," something about the use of preventives. He sent his wife a copy of the book out she strongly objected to the use of preventives.

In the autumn of 1919 Mrs. Russell had a serious illness. She went to Wemyss Bay, which was not far from Greenock. When she got better she seemed more kindly disposed towards her husband. On December 23 he met her at Glasgow, and they stayed the night at an hotel. That night, Mr. Russell said, was the only time in their married life that he had known her to express passion. She cried when he went away.

Sir Edward said he could satisfy the jury that this was the happiest period of Mr. Russell's married life. Letters written almost continuously for the next few weeks showed that at any rate Mrs. Russell was expressing the greatest possible affection for her husband. Mr. Russell's case was that Mrs. Russell at that time was very near being in the condition of being in love with her husband, unless she is an accomplished actress," continued Sir Edward, "and I am afraid I must add an accomplished hypocrite. These letters—most of which have never been read—could not have been written except by a woman who really was very fond of her husband."

MRS. RUSSELL'S LETTERS.
THE DARLINGEST THING "THAT EVER WAS."

Sir Edward then read a letter written by Mrs. Russell to her husband on Christmas night, 1919. She wrote:

"My Own Darling—I am so miserable, husband of mine. I am trying not to be, but I can't help it. I miss you during husband so, and I want to hold all the time. I want to feel my husband close beside me, have his arms round me, and mine round him, and he is going to be there always and always."

"I am so glad, my darling, we have had all this time together, and I have been able to find out that I have married the dearest thing that ever was. Your little wife is in bed, and there are two very big tears in her eyes that want to be kissed away."

"Was that the letter, asked Sir Edward, of a woman to whom every form of marital expression that took place between her husband and herself was revolting to her? This letter was written at a time when they had just parted, and Mr. Russell would say he had never had proper intercourse with his wife, but had had the nearest approach to what he believed to be it."

The next letter was one which began:—

"My own darling old Angel,—Life has been too lonely for words, and the company has been a very poor substitute for the best husband that ever was."

The rest of the letter dealt with a business transaction, and Sir Edward added: "You will find through these letters that when this lady gets to business it shows that she is very businesslike, very precise and very matter of fact. She had been earning quite a large salary and was a woman of great business capacity, although she was extravagant in some of her expressions."

Then came a letter which commenced:—

"My old darling old Thing,—I do so hate being without the best husband that will ever be seen. I long to hear how our child is."

"That child, Sir Edward explained, referred to a bulldog. The letter went on:

"I do love my husband and I adore his letters. Dear old thing, I wish I could come and kiss you. Sweet old angel, wife is feeling so lonely. All my love, darling mine. Yours always,

CHRIS.
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RUSSELL BABY.

(Continued from page 8.)

"MY ASBESTOS HUSBAND."

Writing on a Sunday, Mrs. Russell said:—
My old darling old angel Husband, I hate Sundays with no chance of hearing from the nicest husband in the world. Poor wife would rather like you to come and sit and hold her hand. I went to see the—
Their children are rather nice. I have quite decided to have six myself. We might have three sets of twins.

I wish we could hurry up and live together. I shall have to have my asbestos husband made to talk if I can't.

Another extract read by counsel was:—

I do love dearest of husbands. I would kiss him upon each eye and on his hair and his neck, and his warm woolly shoulders.

On January 5 Mrs. Russell wrote:—

Darlingest husband—that ever was—Wife is feeling in tremendous letter-writing mood and here goes.

I am much thrilled at your efforts of dancing. It is wise of you, oh, most sensible hubby. Do get hold of one of those dancers and get any information you want from them. I'm on over a new leaf. Do something to mark this epoch in my life.

The next letter stated:—

Only two words to tell you your wife is still fond of you. Heaps of love. I love your lock of hair. I do love my very nicest old thing.

Then, said Sir Edward, Mrs. Russell went to Switzerland, and she wrote telling her husband what a good time she had on the way out and that she had made many friends. One letter dated January 13 stated:—

My darling old thing.—We arrived here at a quarter past six. I really never saw such a crowd of duds in my life. Several tried to talk, but a freezing glance from your wife was enough, they got no further. I shall try and get fit and go on the razzle later.

In the letter after this Mrs. Russell spoke of a daughter and calling her Russell Russell, which she considered would be charming. The letter went on:—

I am, of course, beginning to get off with some of these duds. One cannot help it on skin, as if you are packed up upside down it seems to constitute an introduction.

I had an entrancing instructor and got on well. I fell down four times every five minutes.

After a mass of other letters there came a break, after which business came in:—

Darling old thing.—My letters will grow shorter and shorter. There is no use taking a house at Plymouth, unless you want one there yourself. I have about a dozen new dancing partners waiting for my return. Tons of love.

"Love is best when the sun shines," was an extract from another letter, and Sir Edward said that everybody would agree with that. (Laughter.)

Mrs. Russell also wrote:—

You will be furiously jealous. I have a fast following of adoring young men, dark, slim Argentinians and Greeks, who dance to perfection. They are priceless and naughty, and so is wife. It is quite impossible to be quiet in such a place.

"That is the description," said Sir Edward, "of this girl's life when she was taking a 'cure' in a Swiss resort."

AT A MOUNTAIN INN.

At this time Mr. Russell was writing letters complaining that he was all alone, and she was supposed to be in Switzerland for a "cure."

"Why should you want a daughter when I want twin boys?" Mrs. Russell asked in one letter.

In another letter Mrs. Russell said she was starting a promising affair with a Serbian officer. A later letter dealt with an expedition into the mountains accompanied by her mother and "Dudley."

Mrs. Russell explained that mother was left behind and at one of the mountain inns "they thought we were husband and wife, gave us communicating rooms, and were so tactful."

Mr. Russell went out to Switzerland, proceeded Sir Edward, and stayed with his wife for a fortnight. He naturally expected a continuance of the happy times they had spent when they were last together, but he was never allowed to approach her as a husband.

A SEPARATE SOUL.

Mr. Russell wrote to his wife about the relationship between them and that he expected the rights that any husband expected from his wife. In her reply Mrs. Russell, in the concluding portion of her letter, wrote:—

Your lengthy secret to passion leaves me unmoved. I am afraid pondering to the lower side of nature would in no way make me fonder of a person. There is nothing more distasteful to me than the idea that one person should be merged into another's.

One separate soul is the thing to aim at. All the beauty attributed to sex relationship in "Married

Love" and by husbands and by wives is only camouflage and self-justification. I think I look at it in the true light. Having delivered this eloquent speech I turn to lighter matters.

Mr. Russell left the Navy and was given a job by Messrs. Vickers. Mrs. Russell again and again insisted that she must have a telephone. She was talking of a dress-making business, but telephones, said Sir Edward, were useful for other purposes than making dress-making appointments. Mrs. Russell wrote:—

You do not mind wife having a most awful lot of young men do you? I seem to have about two million at present in all quarters of the globe. If you were like mother you would be amused by them and help me to answer their letters. They make about as much impression on me as an ice-cream in hell. I go on liking husband more and more and young men less.

Mrs. Russell also wrote:—

Do buck up and get the £1,200 out of the Admiralty, and we must have a car at once so as to be able to tear about at week-ends, principally to annoy your people.

Writing from Switzerland Mrs. Russell said:—

Hasn't your wife got a nice character? I felt so lonely in bed last night and did want my husband. Tons of love, darling husband. I know we are going to have twins.

IN PARIS.

When Mrs. Russell wrote another letter, said Sir Edward, Mrs. Russell had gone back to an old student quarter in Paris, but her husband could not put up with Paris. Mrs. Russell danced till 7 a.m. and wrote:—

Oh, the joy of being back here. London is half-dead compared to this. I love you as my English husband, but you would hate to be here.

Later, said Sir Edward, Mrs. Russell went so far as practically to offer a resumption of the relationship that had existed between herself and her husband in the old days in the north. They went to live in a little house in Lincoln-street, Chelsea, where Mr. Russell found that he was expected to sleep near the roof, while his wife was in the basement. Never once was there a renewal of the relationship, such as it was.

In August, which Sir Edward said was the critical period in the case, the parties went to Broadhurst. Mrs. Russell's mother's house. There could be no doubt that Mr. Russell was jealous of Bradley, although he did not suspect that there was anything wrong.

When Mrs. Russell went to stay in Sussex, Bradley was one of the party. On Saturday they went to Lewes races and then to an hotel at Eastbourne, where Mrs. Russell danced a great deal with Bradley.

On Sunday, the 8th, they had a picnic, and after dinner, when they returned, Mrs. Russell took Bradley out in the car.

A QUARREL.

This annoyed Mr. Russell very much—and he remonstrated—with Bradley. Mrs. Russell came out of her bedroom and asked Mr. Russell why he had spoken to Bradley and what he had said. He told her he objected to her taking Bradley out late at night in the car. She got in a furious temper and went down and saw Bradley, who was sleeping on a couch. There was a row between Mr. and Mrs. Russell, and next day Mr. Russell returned to London.

Mrs. Russell motored with Bradley from Broadhurst, but did not sleep at Lincoln-street but went to Redcliffe-square. She stayed there, and so did Bradley, although it was suggested that they committed adultery.

Mrs. Russell went back to Sussex and Mr. Russell went to Broadhurst again on August 14. On August 15 they occupied the same room or two beds in the same room. She was most cold to him and said: "Well, I suppose I must submit if you insist." Mr. Russell said: "I do not believe in that sort of marital rights." He had nothing whatever to do with her.

The jury, said Sir Edward, would hear that the child was longer than usual in being born and that for six months Mrs. Russell was pregnant and had not the least idea that she was so.

Mr. Russell would say that never from that occasion at Broadhurst in August, 1920 had he had any sort of marital intercourse with his wife, who never allowed him to kiss her.

ANNULMENT TALK.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell later took a place in Curzon-street, and Mr. Russell would tell the jury that during the time they were there he never once went into his wife's bedroom; there was never any sign of affection between them.

At length Mr. Russell said to his wife: "I am a normal man and must live a normal life. I am very fond of you," and suggested they should live together as man and wife. Then the wife said: "If you want that sort of thing, go and buy it in Piccadilly."

In April Mrs. Russell suggested that they should live with her mother, which Mr. Russell declined to do. Whether or not she knew it, she was then going to be a mother. She said to Mr. Russell,

CANTON CIVIL GOVERNOR.

ENTERTAINS CHINESE MERCHANTS.

Accompanied by Sir Robert Ho Tung, H.E. Mr. Tsui Shiu-ching, Civil Governor of Kwangtung, visited Government House yesterday afternoon.

In the evening he entertained a number of members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to a banquet at the Kam-Ling restaurant, West Point.

This afternoon, Mr. Tsui will be the guest of Chinese business men to dinner at the Hongkong Hotel.

Despite announcements to the effect that the Civil Governor is in Hongkong for personal reasons, several Chinese merchants have declared that there is more in his visit than appears on the surface while a committee member of the Chamber of Commerce, who was not present at the banquet last night, told a China Mail reporter that the Civil Governor is here in connection with the proposed loan to the Canton authorities.

JUNK PIRACY.

GUNBOAT REQUISITIONED.

From Macao comes the report of a piracy, in which the pirates are said to have used a Chinese gunboat, the "Fook On."

The pirates signalled to the gunboat stating that they were smuggling salt and promised liberal "squeeze" if the "Fook On" would escort them.

This turned out to be a ruse to seize the gunboat as the pirates surprised the crew and took charge.

The "Fook On" was then used to pirate a junk at Lai Chu San. All the valuables were removed and 120 passengers taken away for ransom. Shortly afterwards, the junk met three other junks which also contained pirates who stripped it of all that remained on board.

INTERPORT—CRICKET.

PRACTICE MATCH OFF.

The interport cricket practice match arranged for this afternoon has been postponed owing to the weather and the state of the wicket.

"If your people still want you to annul the marriage, I am agreeable." It was true Mr. Russell had taken some steps in the way of obtaining advice as to his legal position as there had been no consummation of the marriage, said Sir Edward.

Eventually, said Sir Edward, Mrs. Russell wrote to her husband asking him to come to London because she wanted to see him on an "important matter."

After luncheon they went for a walk and Mrs. Russell said: "Do you remember various scenes you made at Curzon-street last winter?" Mr. Russell replied: "I can't say I do; what do you mean?"

Mrs. Russell said: "Well, one night I found you in Curzon-street in your pyjamas. You were walking in your sleep. I was just returning in a taxi from a dance. I took you into the house and upstairs." Mr. Russell said he did not remember it, but his wife assured him that it had happened.

She next asked him: "Do you remember walking about my room at night making Hunnish scenes?" The husband said he was certain he never went into her room when she was there. Mrs. Russell said she did not remember much about the bedroom scenes; they all seemed like nightmares.

Mr. Russell asked what she was driving at. Mrs. Russell then said:—

I visited a fortune-teller last Saturday. She told me that I had had an amazing married life and asked me if I realised I was going to have a baby. I said I didn't, and I visited a doctor on the Monday, who confirmed the fortune-teller's opinion.

Mrs. Russell said that the relations must have taken place unknown to either of them during one of the Hunnish scenes. Mr. Russell said it was impossible. He told her he would think the matter over and she said: "Of course everyone would think I had gone off the rails with another man, but I swear that is not so. I am not that sort."

When Mrs. Russell continued Sir Edward, told Mrs. Russell that he had been advised to proceed for a nullity suit she checked up instantly although he told her that it would be impossible on the assumption that she was going to have a baby. Then she asked if they could not get a divorce or a separation. Mr. Russell again told her they could not get a divorce except for nullity, and she then said: "It is really extraordinary. I suppose I must be another Virgin Mary." Then she said: "This woman—the fortune-teller told me I was 14 months gone. That was the vital point in the case," added Sir Edward.

The hearing was adjourned.

FRENCH CRUISERS HERE.

ARRIVAL THIS MORNING.

ADMIRAL GILLY'S LANDING.

The French cruisers "Victor Hugo" and "Jules Michelet," under command of Rear-Admiral Gilly arrived in port this morning, reaching their buoys at 8.10. The usual salutes were exchanged.

At 8.30, M. Paul Kremer, the acting Consul-General for France, accompanied by the staff of the Consulate left for the flag-ship to pay his respects to Rear-Admiral Gilly.

There was an unfortunate mistake about the landing. It was arranged over a week ago between the French Consul-General and Capt. Neville, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, that the landing was to take place at 11 a.m. at Murray Pier.

Through some misunderstanding this morning, the launch bearing Rear-Admiral Gilly, and his Staff arrived at Murray Pier at 10.45 a.m. Finding no one to meet them, the visitors set out for Blake Pier. Fortunately Capt. Neville arrived in time to meet them at Blake Pier and explain matters.

A guard of honour of 50 men from the 2nd Battalion of the King's Regiment, with the band on the right, was drawn up under command of Capt. J. M. Collins, with Lieut. J. J. Burke-Gaffney M.C., as Colour Bearer.

As Rear-Admiral Gilly stepped ashore, the Guard gave the "general salute," the band playing the "Marseillaise." After inspecting the guard and exchanging a few words with the officers, Admiral Gilly and his Chief-of-Staff were driven off to Government House, with Capt. Neville, occupying the seat next to the chauffeur.

M. Paul Kremer, the French consul

and the French Vice-Consul followed in another car.

WHO THEY ARE.

The vessels sailed from Brest on October 12 on a long cruise which was organised by the Ministry of Navy, with the assistance of the Ministry of Commerce—under the command of Rear-Admiral Gilly.

The arrangements of this cruise have been decided upon by the French Government for various purposes. It will first constitute a highly efficient training-voyage for both officers and sailors, as it will last over nine months, the itinerary being as follows:—Brest, Pizette, Port Said, Djibouti, Diego Suarez, Tamatave, (Madagascar), La Reunion, Melbourne, Sydney, Wellington, Auckland, Noumea (New Caledonia), Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Takou, Shanghai, Hongkong. From here the vessels will call at:—Tourane, Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Djibouti, Port Said, Brest. The vessels are expected to return to Brest by the middle of July.

Several representatives of the Ministries of Commerce, Foreign Affairs, Colonies, Public Works have been appointed and embarked on board the battleships with a view to examining the conditions, and of improving French influence throughout the countries where calls are to be made and facilitating the operation of French trade with these countries.

A cinematograph apparatus has been placed on board each vessel, and various films are produced before the largest possible attendance, both French and native, in every port of call, showing amongst other views the re-building of French devastated areas, the efforts of French industries after the war, and other manifestations of the revival of the country in artistic and commercial directions.

Other films illustrate various districts of France which are especially frequented by tourists, and a wide advertisement is made in favour of touring in France.

On the other hand, an exhibition of various products of French industry has been organised on board the Jules-Michelet by M. Dior, Minister of Commerce. Coloured photographs show to visitors samples of various articles, such as bronzes of art, embroideries, laces, decorative works of all kinds, even motor-cars. These photographs were selected from an exhibition which was organised in 1921 at Paris in the "Palais de Glace" and was called "Salon du Gout Français."

Special attention has been given to the selection of French books, which have been put on board the battleships to be handed over to French and foreign visitors along the cruise. There are books of philosophy, medicine, art, &c. Many reviews and magazines are being transported together with these various books.

An official of the Ministry of Colonies has been appointed to join the party of representatives on board the battleships with a view to expressing to the inhabitants of French colonies where calls are taking place the hearty thanks of the country for their help in the war.

A technical representative of the Ministry of Public Works will also examine during the whole cruise all the problems pertaining to the improvement of sea trade and the extension of the ports of French colonies.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The China-Australia Steamship Co.'s s.s. "Victoria" with outward Australian Mail sailed from Sydney for this port on Mar. 29 and is due here on or about Apr. 18. The Wing On Co., Ltd. are agents.

MORE PROPERTY SOLD.

FOURTEEN CHINESE HOUSES.

Fourteen houses of Chinese design, situated at Wing Fung Street Wanchai, Queen's Road Central and Bonham Road have been acquired by a Chinese syndicate for \$330,000. The vendor is Mr. Tse Yam-chi, a Chinese banker, who recently figured in some adverse litigation due to it was stated to speculation in U. S. "Double Eagles." The purchasing syndicate refuses to disclose the names of its members.

TELEPHONE CABLE DAMAGED.

COMMUNICATION WITH KOWLOON INTERRUPTED.

Telephone communication between Hongkong and Kowloon was cut off yesterday morning owing to the cable which runs underground being damaged at Praya East, presumably by a pickaxe during road excavations. The damage to the cable is said to be of rather an extensive nature and workmen are being employed night and day in order that the repairs may be speedily effected. In the meantime communication will be possible through a temporary service.

As a result of Thursday night's storm several lines on the Hongkong side, chiefly in the Western district were damaged.

ORATORIO SELECTIONS.

The following is the programme to be given on Monday next at 6 p.m. in St. John's Cathedral when the collection will be in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

Chorus—"Awake, Thou" Stainer.
Duet with Chorus—"I Waited for the Lord" Mendelssohn.

Mrs. Collett and Mrs. Goldsmith.
Chorus—"Saviour, Thy Children" Sullivan.

Quartet and Chorus—"Stabat Mater" Gounod.

Mrs. D. J. Brown, Mrs. Mathieson, Mr. H. Annis, Mr. G. H. Piercy.
Chorus—"Crossing The Bar" Barry.

Duet—"My Hope is in the Everlasting" Statuer.

Mrs. Clements and Mr. H. Annis.
University Anthem Denman Fuller.

Solo—Mrs. Clements, Mrs. Collett, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Perkins, Mr. H. Annis, Cmdr. Hocken, R.N., Mr. G. H. Piercy, Mr. S. Collett.



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Members of the United States Shipping Board, who recently called at the White House and left with President Harding a detailed report, in which they requested the President to ask Congress to exclude all foreign ships from trade between the Philippines and the United States. Left to right: J. F. Marias, Philippines representative of the Shipping Board; Mr. E. Frechel, Mid-West representative; Chairman the Mr. Lasker, and the Assistant Chairman, Mr. J. B. Small.



Bathing in the waters of the Danube at Bucharest, after the waters have been blessed by Church dignitaries. According to ancient tradition, the people are thus absolved of their sins. King Ferdinand of Rumania, and his War Minister, are shown watching this annual ceremony.



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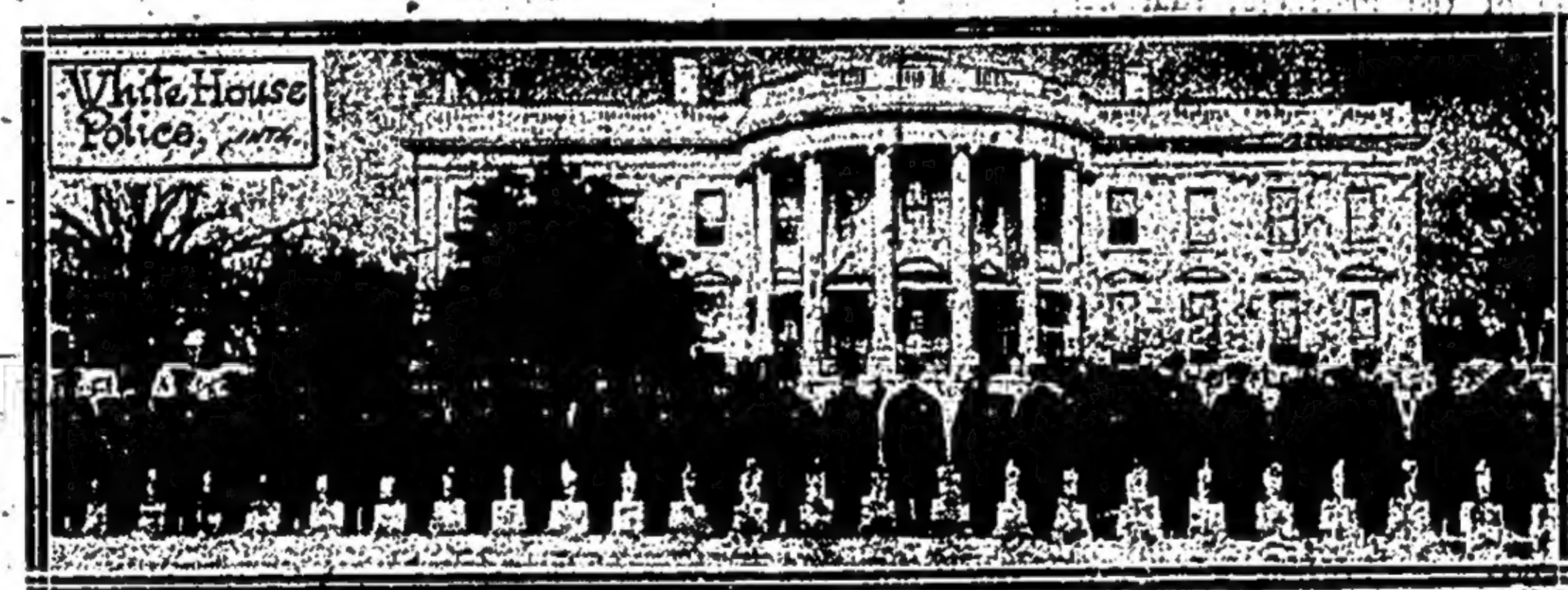
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Matthew D. Pezard

Confessed he was one of three men who robbed a millionaire's wife of \$500,000 worth of jewels while she was attending a New Year's Eve party in the studio of Frank Carman but asserted he had in turn been robbed by his two confederates, who have not yet been arrested.



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THE JAMBOREE.

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After another recitation by one of the latest joined lads, the Hongkong Scout Song by Asst. S. M. F. Williams with full chorus, found much favour with the audience. Scout D. Hynes was heartily applauded for his recitation. Then, with the lights turned low, came possibly the star turn, judging from the ovation given. This was a violin solo by Patrol Leader H. Choa rendered with great touch and sympathy. Cub-Sixer D. Anderson then displayed much skill and confidence in a recitation with a moral. Another Scouts' Song followed and was well received. Scout-Master Leung put two members of his troop through Chinese Exercises to Orchestral accompaniment and a clever young illusionist, who bids fair to rival the famous Carter, gave a turn. Six members of the 5th Troop acted in a humorous sketch, entitled "A Couple of Scams" in a very amusing and clever manner, bringing the first part of the programme to a close. The second half of the programme consisted of some musical selections, realistically rendered on Chinese instruments by four patrol leaders, followed by two displays of shadow acting to demonstrate how a Scout must always do his duty, but never accept payment. The penultimate item was illuminated Club Swinging by Patrol Leader Ng Wai Man, whose confidence and correct interpretation of the art of swinging in time to music won him much applause.

"A Storm in a Tea-Cup" or "Potted Tempest," by the Scouts' A.D.C. brought a most enjoyable programme to a close. The play is a very clever caricature of the rendering of "The Tempest" by the A.D.C. last Christmas. The entire play is full of clever quips at Taipans, Peakites and Kowloonites. The bulk of the work fell upon the shoulders of Prospero, but they proved strong enough to bear it. He was ably supported by the remainder of the cast, which included a number of boy Scouts, who took the part of elves and nymphs in two very clever turns. The dancers in the rescuing scene won well-merited applause as did the elves and nymphs, who took the place of the animals in the Christmas show. The lettering on their backs—S.E.P.O.F. speaks for itself. As the management says: "We are trying to make money, not spend it, and we found decoration on the local scale too expensive. The scenery is not as elaborate as that of the original show, especially as, in spite of exhaustive explorations conducted by the Scouts on the Island and mainland, no pink trees could be obtained."

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Hydrangea, (Chin On) from Swatow—Co's Wharf.
Chienking, (Lee Hong) from Canton—Co's Wharf.
Telemachus, (Wo Fat Sing) from Saigon—B24.
Glenfallach, (Seng Soon Hong) from Penang, Singapore—A6.
Manila Maru, (O.S.K.) from Tacoma, Shanghai—Koon Wharf.
Lushan Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Shanghai—Swatow—C14.
Torilla, (B.I.S.N.) from Calcutta, Singapore—Kowloon Wharf.
Tastalusa, (St. Oil) from San Francisco—Lanchikok.
Anjou, (Wing Tai) from Samshui—Co's Wharf.
Dacre Castle, (Dodwell & Co.) from New York—Lanchikok.

DEPARTURES.

Sunning (B. & S.) for Shanghai—April 14.
Mentor (B. & S.) for Hankow, Shanghai—April 14.
Wilkesden, (Tuen Kee) for Amoy—April 14.
Kwangle, (C.M.S.N.) for Shanghai—April 14.
Hwah Kum, (Wanglee) for Saigon—April 14.
Shantung, (B. & S.) for Tsingtao, Shanghai—April 14.
St. Albans, (M. M. & Co.) for Yokohama, Moji—April 14.
Kaijo Maru, (O.S.K.) for Keelung, Swatow—April 15.
Hanoi, (Lapicque & Co.) for Hainan, Hainan—April 15.
Yangtzejiang, (Yuen Cheong Lee) for Tientsin, Hainan—April 15.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per B. L. J. "Torilla" on Apr. 14: Mr. E. B. Andrews, Mrs. L. A. Andrews, Mr. G. B. Barker, Mr. A. D. Barker, Mr. M. H. Robin, Mrs. E. M. Outhbert, Col. and Mrs. A. Coyne, Mrs. E. S. Vandenberg, Mrs. O. S. Vandenberg, Mrs. A. O. Hookins, Mrs. E. Curtis, Mrs. R. T. Bell, R. P. Ross, A. J. Moffat, J. Gilchrist, A. O. Grant, B. Barker, H. O. Lander, W. Thompson, Mrs. E. Gabbay, Mrs. R. Gabbay.

DEPARTURES.

Per B. L. J. "Japan" on Apr. 15: Miss E. Hynes, Miss M. W. Fries, Miss Margaret Wood, Miss Beth A. Taylor, Miss Mabel V. Allen, Mr. W. Q. Chai, Mr. Woodstock, Mr. N. Theonana.

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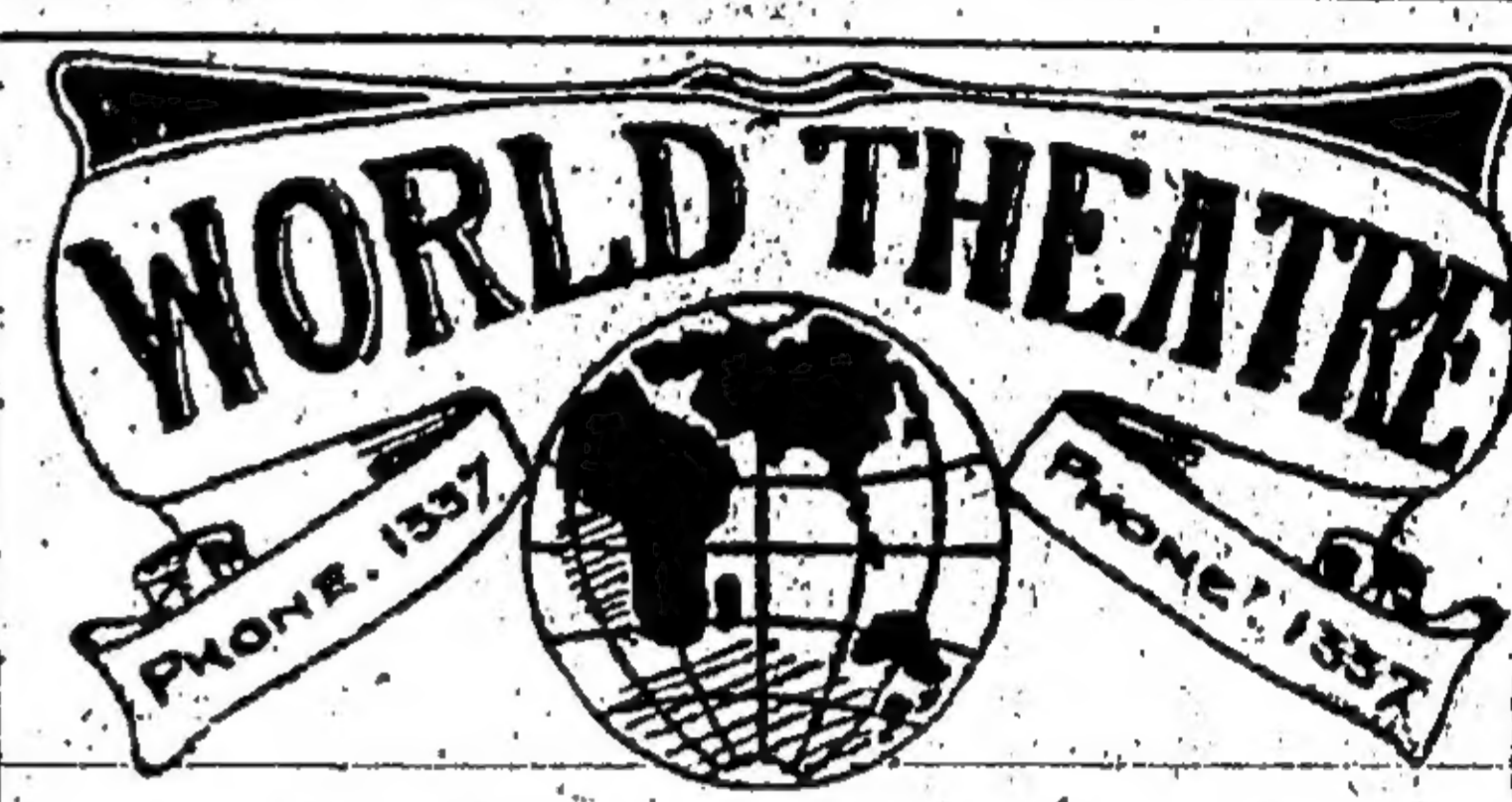
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